

Chapter: Records, Freedom of Information, and Transparency

Subject: 14-15 – Release of Department Reports or Videos to News Media

Effective: April 29, 2024

Supersedes: Official Order 14-15, dated April 19, 2022

Distribution: Department Members

PURPOSE: This Order establishes department policy related to the release of department reports or

videos to the media.

14-15-1 DEFINITION

A. Media: Professional journalists, reporters, photographers, videographers, editors, and other individuals or organizations engaged in the production and distribution of news and information to the public.

14-15-2 RELEASE OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS/VIDEOS

Copies of department reports, in-car video, audio tapes, etc., associated with a criminal investigation shall not be furnished to an individual, organization, or the media except in accordance the Code of Conduct and written directives governing the release of department records.

DIRECTOR

Annual Review Responsibility: Communications and Outreach Division

Accreditation Standards: CALEA 82.1.1